Animal Sciences

Department Information

- **Department Head:** Guillermo Scaglia, Ph.D.
- **Graduate Coordinator:** Kendall Swanson, Ph.D.
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- **Department Web Site:** [www.ag.ndsu.edu/ansc/](http://www.ag.ndsu.edu/ansc/)
- **Application Deadline:** Applications are accepted for fall, spring and summer semester admits.
- **Credential Offered:** Ph.D., M.S.
- **English Proficiency Requirements:** TOEFL iBT 71, IELTS 6; Duolingo 105

Marc L. Bauer, Ph.D.
University of Kentucky, 1996
Research Interests: Nutritional physiology with emphasis on nutrient metabolism and utilization in ruminants

Eric P. Berg, Ph.D.
Purdue University, 1996
Research Interests: Working with swine as a biomedical model for humans to study the impact of food and food combinations on obesity-related metabolic disorders

Erika Berg, Ph.D.
University of Missouri, 2006
Research Interests: The impact of therapeutic horsemanship on human and equine participants. Maternal and environmental influence on equine neonatal physiology

Erin Beyer, Ph.D.
Kansas State University, 2023
Research Interests: Post-harvest effects on eating quality of meat

Chris Byrd, Ph.D.
Purdue University, 2018
Research Interests: Applied ethology, stress physiology, animal welfare science, swine production

Kasey Maddock Carlin, Ph.D.
Iowa State University, 2005
Research Interests: Meat Science with emphasis on physiological and biochemical changes in muscle postmortem on meat quality

Joel S. Caton, Ph.D.
New Mexico State University, 1987
Research Interests: Ruminant nutrition with emphasis on nutrition and reproduction interactions, Forage utilization, digestive physiology and selenium metabolism

Carl Dahlen, Ph.D.
University of Minnesota, 2009
Research Interests: Beef cattle production

Carolyn Hammer, DVM, Ph.D.
Iowa State University, 2003
Research Interests: Equine preventative medicine, growth and development, immunology

Lauren Hanna, Ph.D.
Texas A & M University, 2013
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Research Interests: Animal Genetics; Genomics

**Travis Hoffman, Ph.D.**
Colorado State University, 2015
Research Interest: Sheep production, lamb quality, sheep and goat value, direct meat marketing

**Miranda Meehan, Ph.D.**
North Dakota State University, 2012
Research Interests: Riparian ecology and management, livestock and wildlife interactions, impacts of energy development on livestock production

**Lawrence P. Reynolds, Ph.D.**
Iowa State University, 1983
Research Interests: Maternal and placental physiology during pregnancy in livestock including cellular and molecular aspects

**Guillermo Scaglia, Ph.D.**
Texas A&M University, 2002
Research Interests: Ruminant nutrition, plant-animal interface, management of grazing ecosystems, precision livestock farming, sustainability of livestock production systems

**Gerald Stokka, DVM, M.S.**
Iowa State University, 1982
Research Interests: Immunology; preventive medicine; animal stewardship and well-being

**Kendall Swanson, Ph.D.**
University of Kentucky, 2001
Research Interests: Ruminant nutrition, energy and nitrogen metabolism, pancreatic function, digestion, and alternative feed ingredients for finishing cattle and over-wintering cows

In addition to the above listed faculty, there are numerous adjunct faculty members who participate in the graduate program.